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Responsive to the Office Action (Paper No. 5) dated January 30, 2002,

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Status of the Claims

Claims 1-48 are currently pending in this application. Claims 32-34 and 40 are allowed.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1-3, 5, 7-9, 18-19, 30 and 41 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Murakami et al. (U.S. Patent Re. 35,104) in view of newly cited Sie et al. (U.S. Patent 5,534,941). Claims 12, 20, 42-43 and 47-48 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Murakami, et al. (U.S. Patent Re. 35,104) in view of newly cited Acampora et al. (U.S. Patent 5,148,272).